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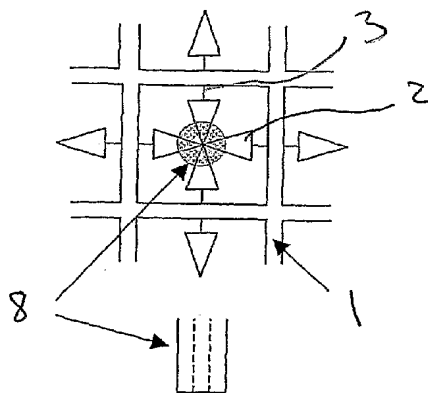
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(57) Abstract: A method of separating individual elements (2') (e.g. conducting performs or Gunn diodes) from an array of such elements comprises the application of energy (e.g. electric current) via a pick-up tool (8) to melt tabs (3) which hold the element (2') to a supporting structure (1).

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